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Application of: Capon *et al.*

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For: COMPOSITIONS AND  
METHODS FOR DETERMINING  
ANTI-VIRAL DRUG  
SUSCEPTIBILITY AND  
RESISTANCE AND ANTI-VIRAL  
DRUG SCREENING

Attorney Docket No: 011068-043-999

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)**

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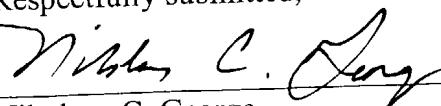
Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action  
dated July 15, 2003 be extended for a period of 3 month(s) from October 15, 2003 to and  
including January 15, 2004.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$475.00. Please charge the  
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Date: January 14, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

  
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